



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **ATTN: BOX RCE**
Sandhya MISHRA et al. : Docket No. 2001-0120A
Serial No. 09/777,664 : Group Art Unit 1651
Filed February 7, 2001 : Examiner Irene Marx

AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE
REMOVAL OF CALCIUM IONS FROM
THE BRINE BY MARINE CYANOBACTERIA **Confirmation No. 9236**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 13, 2003, the time for responding thereto being extended for three months in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: